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change. They were successful in doing that, so the Liquor Commission now has, in rule and regulation, provisions that are almost exactly the same as LB 814. The sum of all that is that this bill, insofar as its primary provisions are concerned, is no longer necessary. The Chair of the committee informed me that there are other small matters relating to liquor that need to be dealt with this session. Senator Landis had one such small matter that he is now, I think, prepared to present to us as an amendment to this bill which will, in fact, become the entire bill. So I will stop at that point and I think we can move to the amendment to see if you all are interested in that. Thank you.

SPEAKER KRISTENSEN: Mr. Clerk, an amendment.

CLERK: Senator Landis would move to amend, AM2382. (Legislative Journal page 337.)

SPEAKER KRISTENSEN: Senator Landis, you're recognized to open on your amendment.

SENATOR LANDIS: Thank you, Senator Kristensen, members of the Legislature. The amendment that I offer to LB 814 is one-half of the bill, 830...8...excuse me, make that LB 371, which was reported out of General Affairs Committee. The other half, the moving party who cared about that provision, Lazlo's Brewery and Grill here in Lincoln, has thought better of that piece, so, in fact, LB 814 is further along and there is only one small piece that is of interest to be added to LB 814. In the event you were to go today to rent a keg from a brewery or from a liquor store, you would pay a deposit for the keg. That deposit is limited to \$50. The piece of equipment actually costs about 130 or 140 dollars, and the request from the parties that I was interested in and wanted to help was to make sure that the deposit could cover the actual cost of the item so that there would not be a statutory maximum of \$50, but that the statutory maximum would read, "the replacement cost of the container described in section 53-167.02" and that change is to reduce what was, at one time, a fixed sum in the statutes which, as you know, over time you are likely to need to update if it is going to be appropriate, or replace it with what I think is a very